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Dear both,

From there to here, airmail doesn't pay. One of the three sources of our P.O. is Harrisburg, and train/bus/truck between Pgh and there should be good enou h.

I had just written you at NYC. Perhaps that letter has now reached you. I go there tne 21st, returning night 22 or 23, and have to be in DC 24th, so I think almost any time would be better than 20th.

We'd wondered what had happened to you and about your silence.

Simon: I've been through it with RH. A good friend of his, Marcus Raskin, phoned him on my behalf. I also phoned him when ~~I~~ in NYC and got no callback. I have not doubt he is a fine, principled guy, but as you will learn, this is a different subject in publishing houses. Nonetheless, I have no doubt he'll be tried for my new agent is Abbie Hoffman's.

Thanks for the suggestion, though. In the past, RH has broken two contracts in this area.

On the trip here, why not try and borrow a car for a weekend?

Lil is plugging through thhe new (and longest)ms. It is more than twice as long as the book to which it is an "addition". The content is real good. I wish there were a way of turning the black militants and the Abbies on on it, but they will not respond, will not read, do not know what it says and has-means.

Let me remind you of the obvious: with the dishonesty of all the papers, if often happens that some carry what others do not. Therefore, if you see in the Pgh papers what interests me, clip and save, please.

If you plan to saty in Pgh and have to furnish your own place, there is a weekly auction here when you can get much cheaply. If I knew if you want a rotisserie, I could get you a good one now real cheap. As we get xloser and closer to destitution, I spend for what we have not had. Just bought an excellent sofa, in perfect condition, cost $350 new, $50. People retiring and leaving area. Now we have more confortable chairs than we have room for. If I can persuade Lil to get rid of our old (Lawson(sofa, which has springs needing retying, that will also be available.

Watch those cats at the NYReview.

Good to hear. Glad Lita likes it there. Hope you get something good right away. Helps with the diet! Let me know the alternate date you pick, if you can come. I'll be home from Washington 10/24 bu supper time and as of now, have no plans for leaving soon. However, it is remotely possible NY trip may produce something, and as the election in NO gets closer, I begin to have the feeling I may be asked to go there.

Gotta get to bed. Best from us both,